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PRESIDENT: We must get on with the business and Senator Chambers, I understand your comment and I'm unable to find much in the rules about this. Any time the Chair wants to say it's a binding rule but as far as I'm concerned, everything is binding. Senator Duis. And then I'm going to make a ruling.

SENATOR DUIS: All right. Of course, your 25 votes is exactly the same thing. You make the ruling from the Chair and if it's challenged, it takes 25 votes to override it. So whichever way you go, it's 25 votes.

PRESIDENT: All right, I have now ruled it takes a majority of those voting. Are you ready for the question? All those in favor of the Carpenter motion vote aye. Those opposed vote no. This is the Carpenter motion. Have you all voted? Clerk will record.

CLERK: 26 ayes, 19 nays, 4 not voting.

PRESIDENT: Motion is passed. That's the way it's going to be until somebody changes it. Now, Mr. Clerk, Senator Chambers.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: I just want to call attention to the fact that I voted on the prevailing side.

PRESIDENT: You're lucky. What's the next motion?

CLERK: Mr. President....whoops.

PRESIDENT: Senator Carsten.

SENATOR CARSTEN: I rise for a point of information. I want it explicitly explained what the schedule is now so that we know for sure.

PRESIDENT: All right, the Clerk will please explain in days, what days we meet, what days we don't.

CLERK: Could I make a schedule and distribute it?

PRESIDENT: The Clerk wants to make a schedule and distribute it, is that all right with you, Senator Carsten? The Clerk will immediately as possible make that schedule and distribute it. Now, Mr. Clerk, what's on the desk?

CLERK: Now, Mr. President, there's a....

PRESIDENT: The Chair recognizes Senator Maresh.

SENATOR MARESH: Mr. Speaker and members of the Legislature. I know this won't be very popular but since we discussed the food tax credit and taking the food tax off, I wonder if this wouldn't be a good time to suspend the rules and take up LB632 and continue with our debate.

PRESIDENT: You have a right to try to suspend the rules. You making that motion? Motion is to suspend the rules and take up LB632 right now. Is that your motion, Senator Maresh? All those in favor of the Maresh motion, vote aye. Those opposed vote no. Clerk will record.

CLERK: 5 ayes, 27 nays.

PRESIDENT: Motion fails. What's the next motion on the Clerk's desk?